



December 2020

Lutheran Church of the Redeemer, Atascadero, California

Starting November 22
WE WILL NOT MEET IN THE SANCTUARY
WORSHIP WILL BE LIVE STREAMING
We will reopen when safety rules allow.

redeemeratascadero.org-streaming button is front and center

RIDDERING NEWS Pastor Wayne & DeDe

Thanks for your prayers! They are working! If you would like to read about how God is helping us here in South Carolina you might enjoy DeDe's blog on Facebook. If you don't have Facebook just email us (ddridd52@gmail.com) and we'll send you a link. Our prayers for all of you are that Jesus our Blessed Redeemer will sustain your faith and love for one another and for Him. Peace and blessings,

STEWARDSHIP NEWS *God's Blessings! Camille O'Brien, Stewardship Chairwoman*

Jesus is the reason for the season! Hallelujah!

I'll bet at one time or another you've watched the Charles Dickens classic "A Christmas Carol". It didn't have anything to do with Jesus or of his birth, but it did have to do with giving. Ebenezer was a miserable, unhappy man until he discovered the joy of giving. In the Bible God tells us that he "loves a cheerful giver" (2 Corinthians 9:7). So many people feel the need to give at Christmas time, but the feeling is usually short-lived. As Christians and believers in Christ we not only know the joy of giving all year long, we have the joy of knowing Jesus was born as our Savior and Redeemer!

Matthew 9:7 She will bear a Son and you shall call His name Jesus, for He will save His people from their sins.

LWML LUTHERAN WOMEN IN MISSION *MISSION PROJECT #4*

Fort Wayne Seminary Food Co-Op –

\$2,500 Concordia Theological Seminar, Fort Wayne, Indiana



The Co-op is vital to the livelihood of many seminary students, providing 80-85% of the family's food and household need. This grant is for the purchase of perishable food items for Seminary students and families.

.From CNH International Missionaries Herb & Markie Burch:



As you may or may not know, much of Belize is under water after tropical storm Eta passed by, dumping quantities of rain on the land. Today, the sun is shining, and we hope to soon see the waters begin to recede. We would like to be helpful during this disaster, but at present we are stranded on a fairly large island.

Please pray for the people of Belize and all Central America who have been adversely affected by this storm. It will require great effort to clean up the mess and restore normalcy, but, "I will lift up mine eyes unto the hills, from whence cometh my help."

A DAYS for GIRLS THANK YOU!

A warm and heartfelt thank you to everyone who helped the San Luis Obispo Days for Girls Team One at Lutheran Church of the Redeemer in Atascadero and Zion Lutheran in SLO! The Days for Girls shipment of 400 kits is on its way, bound for Fiji Islanders! These Kits contain 800 shields, 3,200 liners, 400 day-bags, and 400 carryall bags, all cut, sewn, ironed, and be-ribboned by you wonderful women! They include 800 undies and 400 washrags, each folded tightly! There were 400 bars of soap unwrapped to eliminate litter, and 400 monthly calendars and sizing tags printed, cut, and hole-punched. Many hours and lots of willing hands were required simply to pack the kits, thank you, **LCR** and **Zion's LWML**! The means to accomplish this were ALL IN PLACE by Team Leader DeDe before she left us (including sewing at least half the kits herself!)

Dear wonderful ladies, you know who you are. Forgive us for not naming you one by one—so many helped—but we pray for Heaven's blessings upon each of you for your gifts of service and time. Also upon each of the ladies for fabric donations (**LCR LWML's are ongoing!**) or the surprising amount of funds required to pay for it all from **LCR Church funds** and its **enthusiastic members**, from **SLO ALTRUSA Int'l**, our major donor, and the **Atascadero QUOTA Club**, not forgetting **Thrivent Action Team** funds that purchased so many essentials! These veritable forces—along with your willing hands—have combined to change the lives of our beautiful, forgotten sisters in the remotest Fiji Islands, some of the most destitute people on Earth.

Our humble gratitude (and awe) goes to **LOLOMA Foundation of San Diego** who ships the kits along with a team of doctors and nurses and an entire cargo container of medical supplies to Fiji once a year, who oversee distribution of our DfG Kits while attending to medical needs and preventative health. Due to Covid 19 Fiji's borders are closed, so please join us praying for them to open in time for the February Clinics! Also, our awe and gratitude go to **Days for Girls International** working to reach distribution of **2,000,000 DfG Kits** by the end of this 12th year of operation! (Our 400 will help!)

Finally, from all of us to our dearest precious Team Leader DeDe, how we will miss you when we are sewing and trying to keep it as beautifully organized as you set it all up! God's peace and blessings go with you and Pr. Riddering. THANK YOU.

Dear LCR, ZION'S, LWML, and DfG members:

One of our most faithful donors for Days for Girls has been **ALTRUSA int'l in SLO**, who have given us a total of \$1,500 so far. Their annual fundraiser (the funds from which go entirely to SLO County projects like our DfG Team) is a Christmas tree auction (which we help at), but due to Covid 19 that is NOT an option. As an alternative, they have set up an **Opportunity Drawing**, including **two \$500** Visa Gift Cards, **two \$300** Visa Gift Cards, **one \$250** Visa Gift Card, **one \$150** Spyglass Gift Card, **(1) \$150** and **(1) \$100** Miner's Gift Cards, and **two \$100** Visa Gift Cards. ALTRUSA is asking for a donation of **\$25 for 5 entries, \$50 for 15, and \$100 for 40 entries**. If you donate, when they receive it, they will place your name in the drawing for each of the number of entries you purchased (i.e., 40 entries equals 40 chances). The winning entries will be drawn on **Dec. 5th** and announced on ALTRUSA's Facebook page, **and will be notified by phone**. Entries can also be purchased with **Venmo** or **Paypal** in which case no form is needed **but include your name/phone number in the memo/note section**.

Venmo: @Altrusa-SanLuisObispo OR **PayPal: altrusa.sloco@gmail.com**.

For more info, email them at altrusa.sloco@gmail.com OR, please take an entry form from Van Duren box in the Narthex! Remember, by helping Altrusa, you help US directly! Thank you, LCR members!

From your LCR DfG Team Members downstairs with LWML!

FAITH IN ACTION

Thank you to all who participated in our November workday. Our next workday will be December 12. We will help Debbie decorate for Christmas. We meet at 9am in the Fellowship Hall. If you can't be there but would like to help see Gary.

DECEMBER SERVERS				
	Leader	Reader	Greeter	Acolyte
6th	Pastor Oliver	Mary	Hamiltons	Michelle
13 th	Fred	Bob	Bob	Louise
20 th		lots	Gary	Debbie
27 nd	Gary	Gary	Van Duren	Mary

CHECK IT OUT!


Lutheran Hour Ministries has been proclaiming the Gospel through its global media programs since the 1930's. LHM's most familiar program is The Lutheran Hour radio program that airs weekly on more than 1,800 stations. The local stations that air this weekly program are Sirius XM Family Talk 131 on Sundays at 10:00 AM, KAWZ 105.5 FM Sundays at 7:00AM, KAWZ 104.9 FM Sundays 7:00 AM, KAWZ 90.7 FM Sundays at 7:00 AM, KWWV 98.5 FM Sundays at 6:30 AM, KPRL 1230 AM Sundays at 7:00 AM. If catching the radio program does not fit into your schedule you can listen to the program at any time on the website, lhm.org, or download the app. LHM also has a daily devotion that you can read and/or listen to. Check out LHM's Advent daily devotions. LHM also has a weekly podcast. The radio program, the devotions and the podcast usually have a connected theme and the devotions follow the LCMS's weekly Sunday morning Bible readings. Take some time to check out the website.

ATASCADERO LOAVES AND FISHES:

You may have noticed that we did not have any food drives for our local food bank this year. Since March, Loaves and Fishes is not accepting any public food donations. The donation food box in the church lobby has been put away for awhile. Please do not bring in any food donations. However, Loaves and Fishes is accepting monetary donations. You can donate through the website, atascaderoloaves.org, or use the marked envelopes in our church lobby and put it into the offering collection box.

SPECIAL OPPORTUNITIES TO WORSHIP at local churches

Both churches will be meeting OUTSIDE, face masks are required.

 <p>940 Creston Road, Paso Robles Thanksgiving Day at 10:00 am, November 26 Christmas Eve at 6:00 pm, December 24 Christmas Day at 10:00 am, December 25</p>	<p>ZION Lutheran in San Luis Thanksgiving Day 10:30am Mid Week ADVENT starts December 2 @ 7pm Christmas Eve @ 5pm Christmas Day @10:30am</p>
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ALL WORSHIP WILL

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>Worship will be live streamed. We will not worship in the sanctuary. Listen for news about Bible Study. Can anyone organize zoom meetings?</p>						
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
<p><u>2nd Sun. in Advent</u> 10:00am-Worship Council Mgt TBA</p>	<p>Priscilla</p>	<p>Eric</p>				<p>9am Faith in Action Fellowship Hall</p>
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
<p><u>3rd Sun. in Advent</u> 10:00am-Worship</p>						<p>Leo</p>
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
<p><u>4th Sun. in Advent</u> 10:00am-Service of Lessons & Carols</p>	<p>Erika</p>			<p>Christmas Eve</p>	<p>Christmas Day</p>	
27	28	29	30	<p>Birthday Anniversary</p> <p>We will not have Christmas Eve or Day services at Redeemer. Services at Zion and Trinity are listed above.</p>		
<p>1st Sun after Christmas 10:00am-Worship Pastor Tom Nathan</p>						

THRIVENT

We are nearing the end of the year. Let us use all of our Choice Dollars and Action Teams. Many non profit organizations including REDEEMER would appreciate your donation and it does not cost you anything. At this time your Action Team can be a team of 1. Please give Christa a call if you need help.